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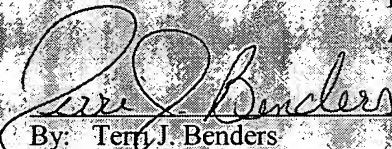

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FOR: Alternate Path Gravel Packing with
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AMENDMENT A

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 20, 2005, and whatever extension of time is
necessary to make this response timely, please amend the application as follows: